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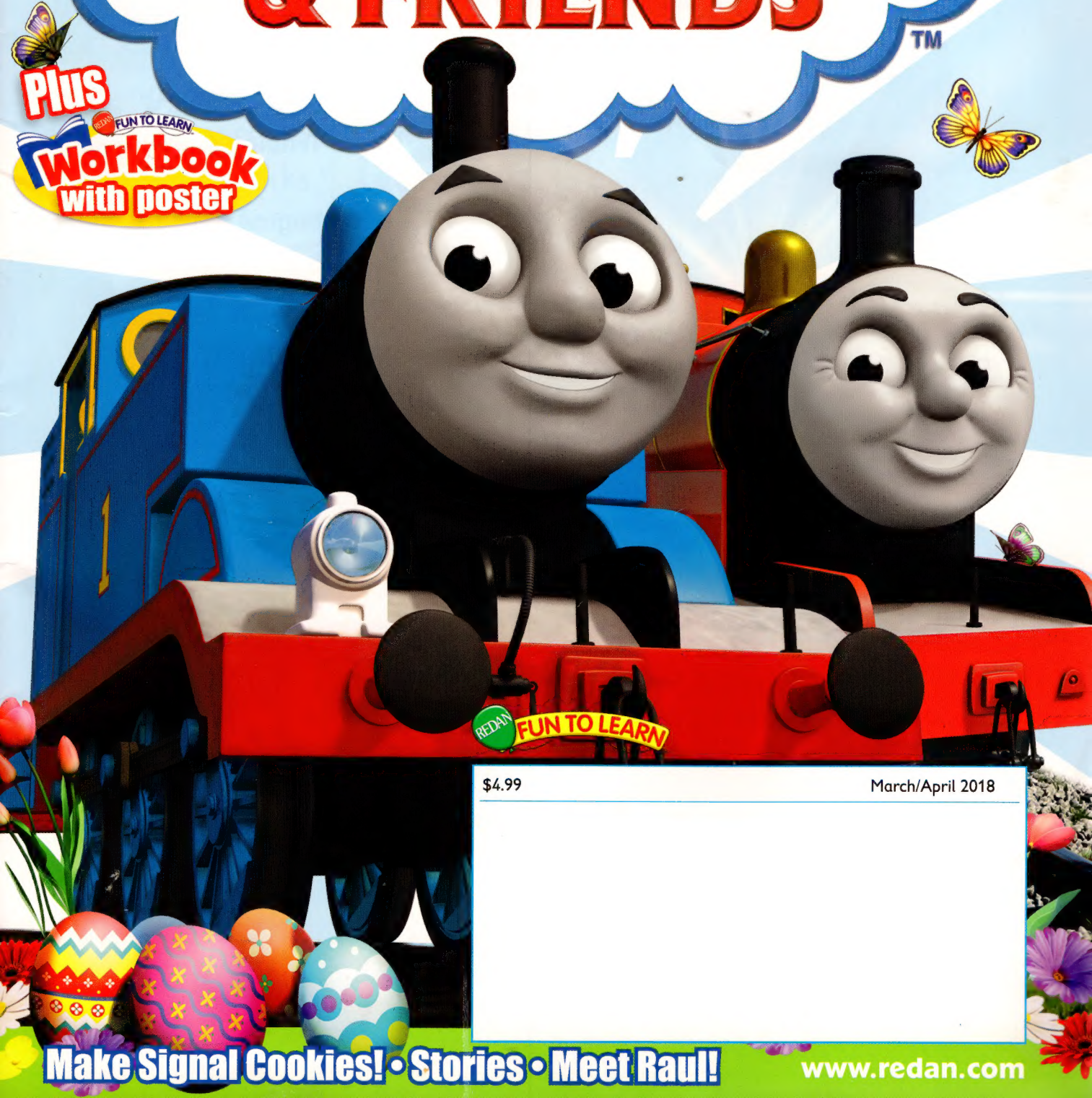
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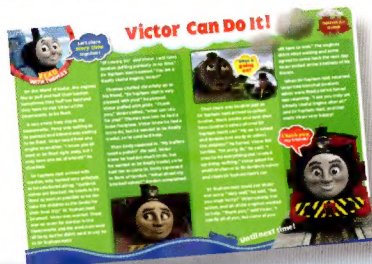
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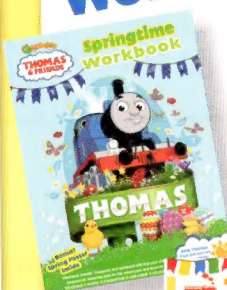


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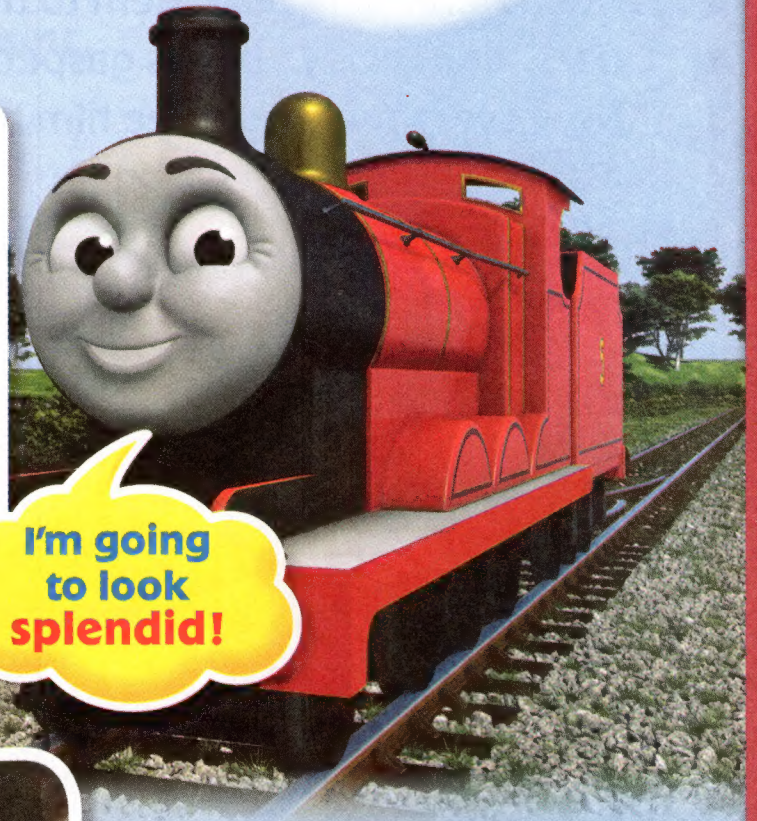
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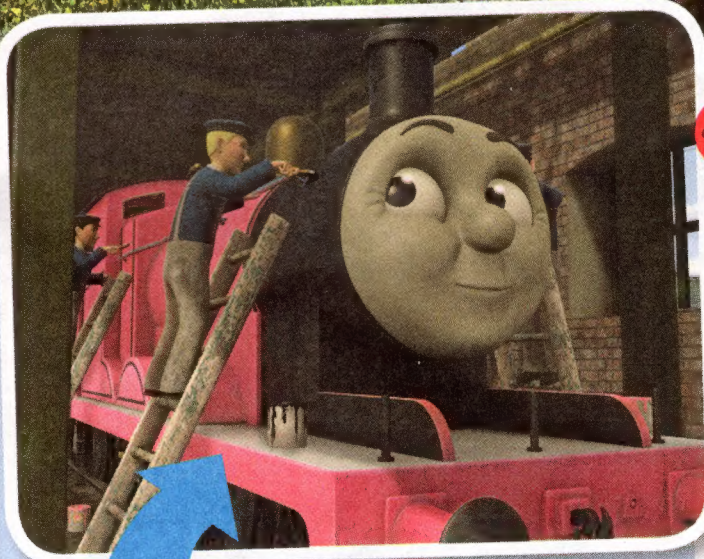


Tickled Pink

1 One day, Sir Topham Hatt told James, "You are going to have a **new coat** of paint! Please go straight to the Steamworks." James was to have a new, shiny coat of **red** paint.



I'm going to look splendid!

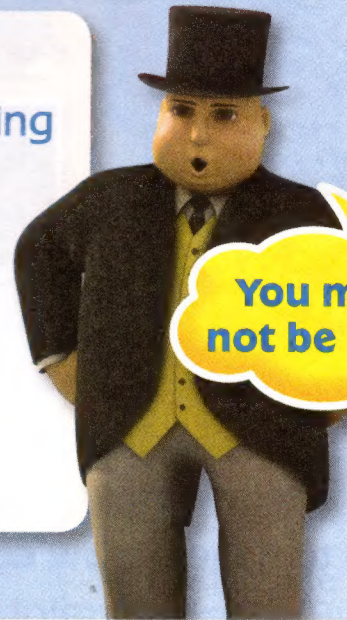


What are the workmen doing to James?

2 At the Steamworks, the workmen took off James' old coat of paint. Then they applied a special **pink paint** that went under the red paint. This would help keep the water out. Soon, James was covered from **fender** to **firebox** in bright pink paint!

3

Then, Sir Topham Hatt arrived and exclaimed, "My granddaughter is having her **birthday party** today. The other engines are busy, so you must collect the children and take them to the party right away." James gasped. Now everyone would see him before his shiny red paint was on!



You must not be **late!**

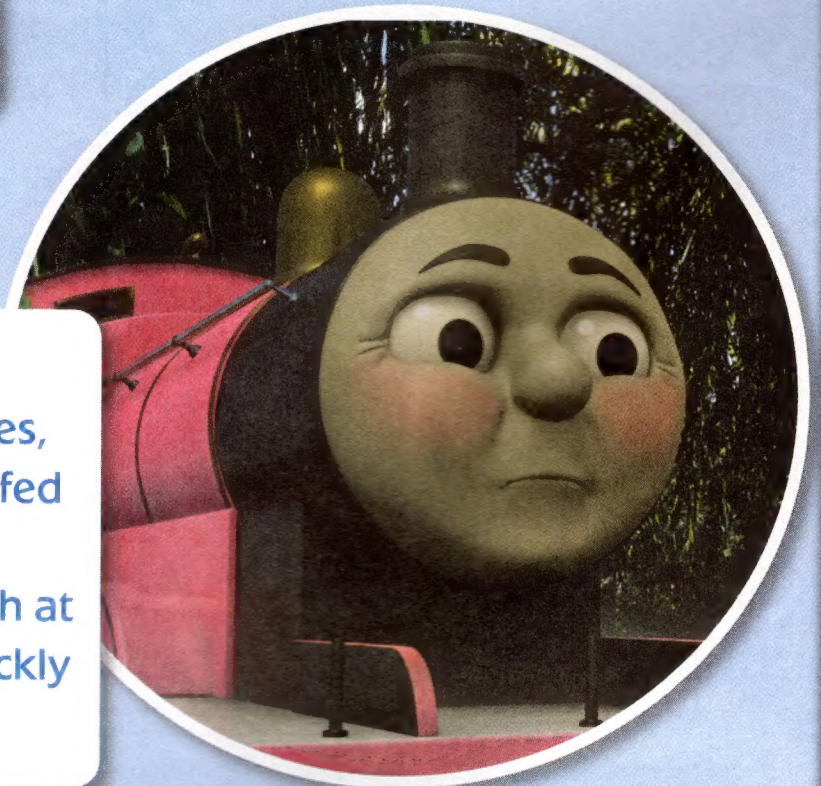


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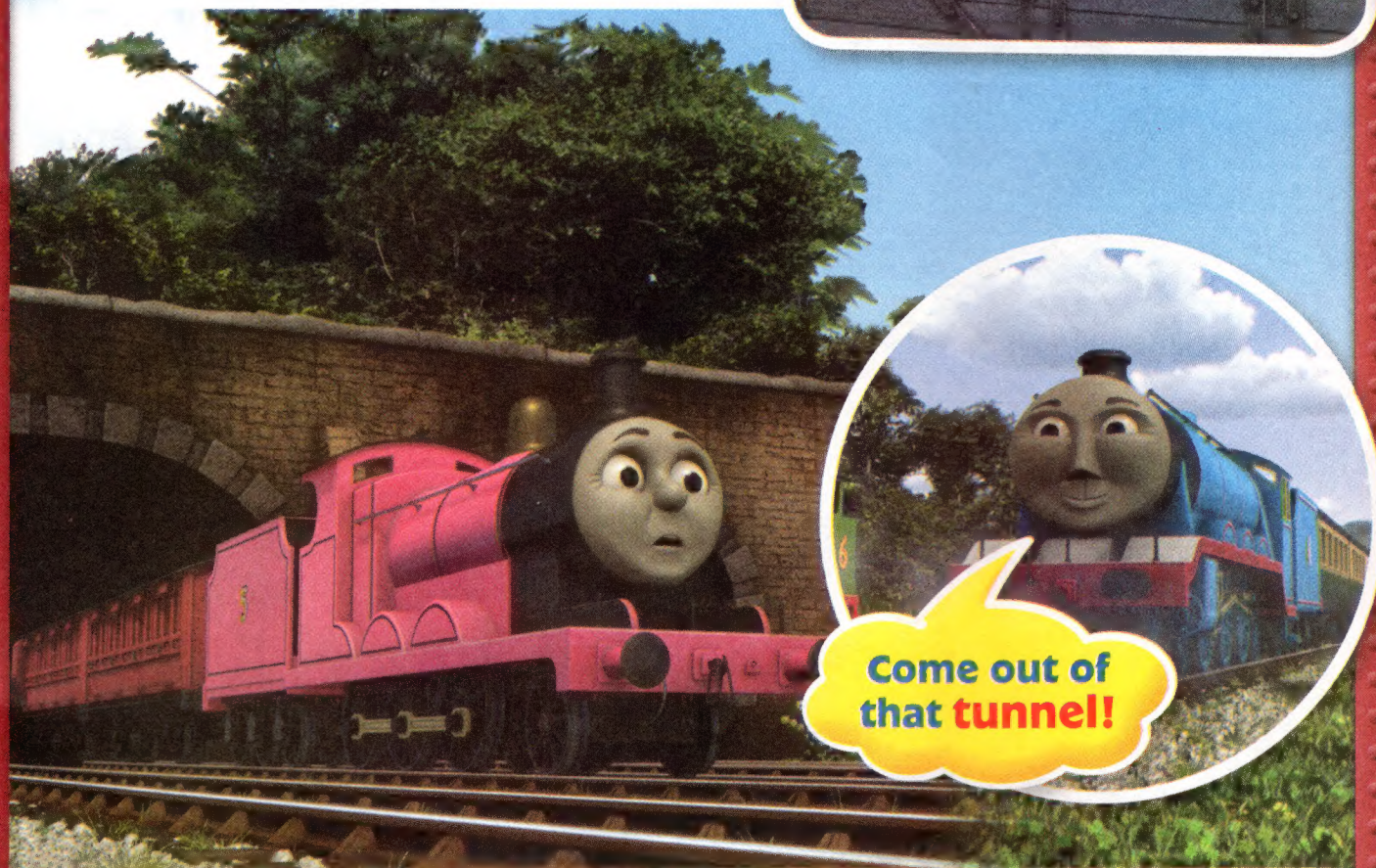
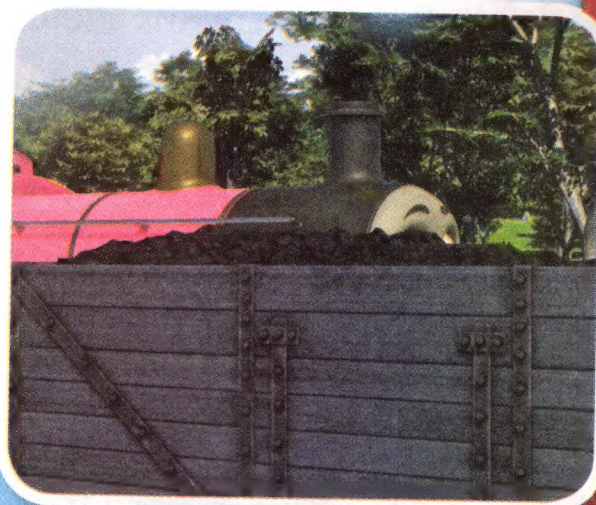
"I don't want anyone to see me looking like this!" James thought as he puffed off. "Everyone is going to **laugh** because I'm **pink, not shiny and red!**"

5

James had an idea. "If I see any other engines, I'll **hide!**" As James chuffed along, he saw Toby. He didn't want Toby to laugh at his pink paint, so he quickly hid under a **tree**.



6 Just then, Gordon thundered by and chuckled when he saw James' pink paint. James hurried away but saw **Diesel** coming. He tried to hide but Diesel spotted him. "**Did they run out of red paint, James?**" Diesel laughed. James was very embarrassed!



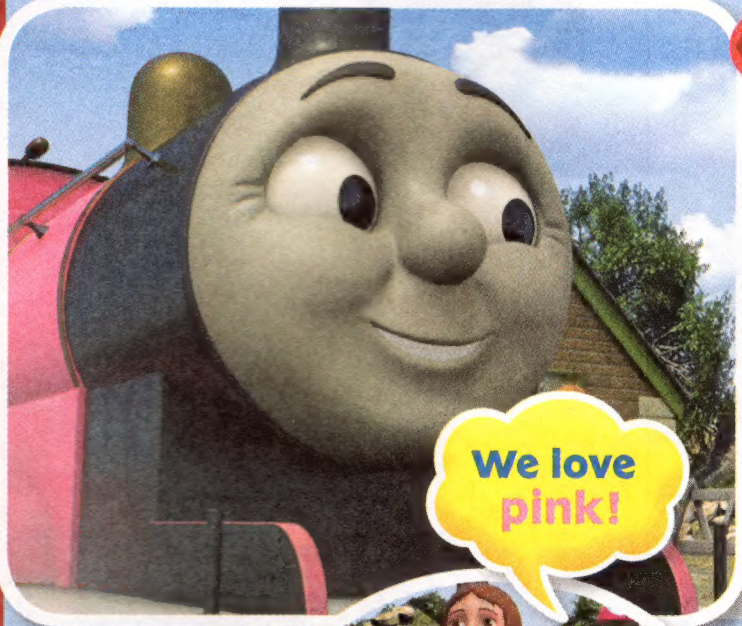
7 Being laughed at by Diesel was the **worst**. James hurried to get the children, but as he puffed out of a tunnel he saw Gordon return. "I don't want Gordon to laugh at me again!" James thought, so he hid in the tunnel. Thomas and Percy puffed to the tunnel to see what was happening. "Who's **hiding** in there?" called Gordon.

8

James didn't want the children to be late for their party. When he slowly came out of the tunnel, all the engines laughed at his pink paint. James felt sad, but he didn't want to let the children down. So even though he felt silly he **didn't stop**. "I'm sure the children will laugh too," he sighed.

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When James arrived at the station, the children were very happy! **Pink** was their favorite color and they thought James had dressed up for their party! James smiled proudly, and the engines apologized for laughing at him.

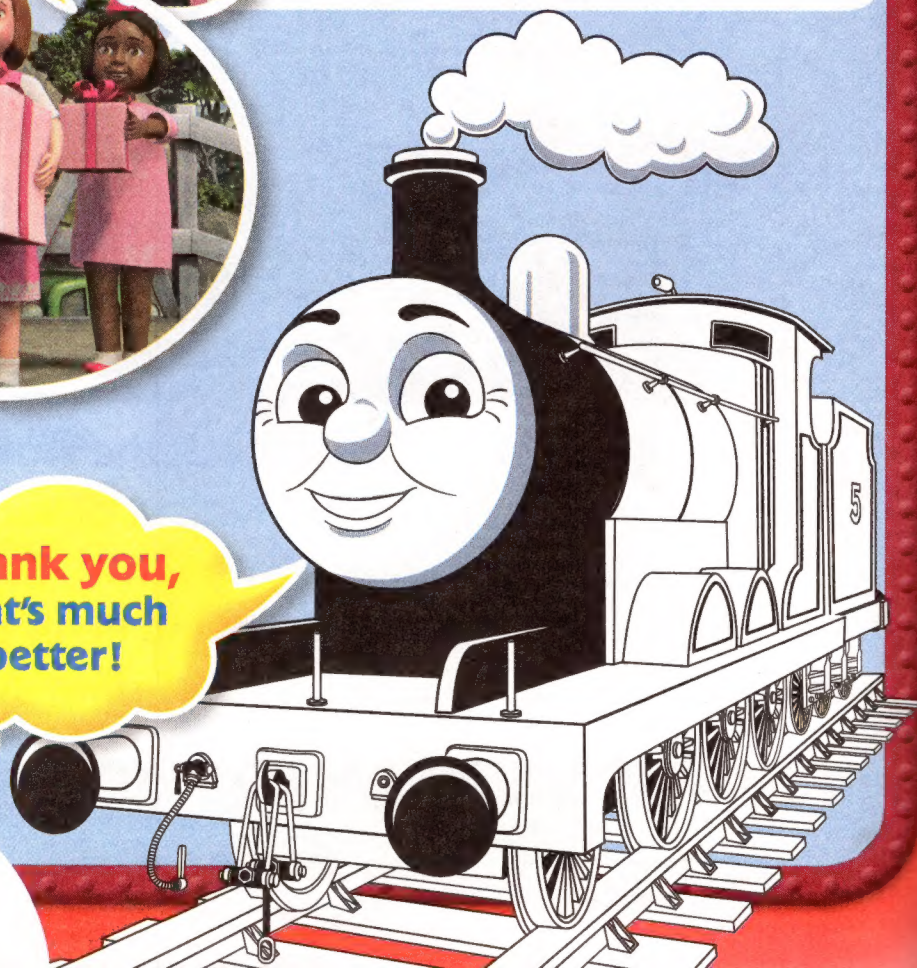


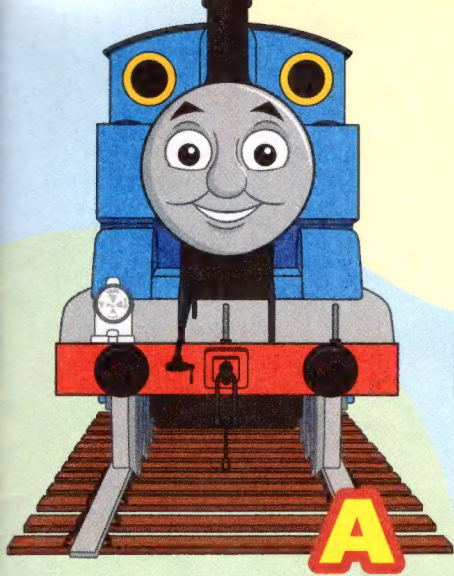
What color are the presents?

Give James a shiny new coat of paint with a **red crayon, marker, or pencil**.



Thank you, that's much better!





A Busy Day!

Thomas has 3 places to go today.
Use the coordinates below to circle the locations,
and check the boxes as you find them.

F-2 ☐ **A-6** ☐ **D-3** ☐

A

B

C

D

E

F

1

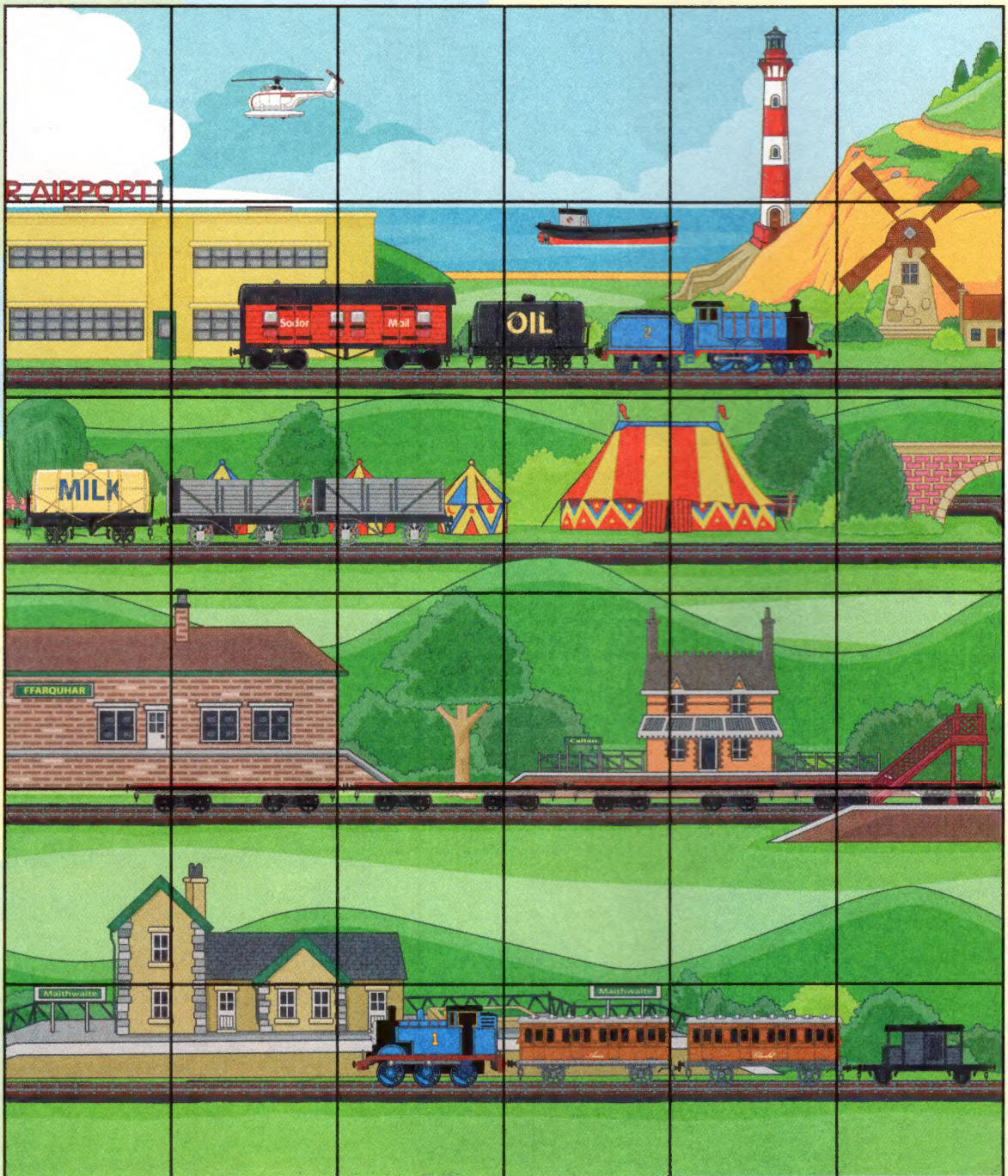
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6



At the Steamworks

James had to visit the Steamworks for a fresh coat of paint.

Circle the correct color for him.

green red blue

Trace around these puffs of steam for James.

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STEAMWORKS

The Steamworks is a Really Useful place!

Thank you!
Now I feel shiny and new!

SOMETHING
TO SHARE

Ask your little one to imagine they're the Steamworks Manager! What would he or she ask the engines? Would there be a special task for the Steamworks Manager, such as making sure the engines were working properly?

How many
engines are at the
Steamworks today?

Write the number in the box.

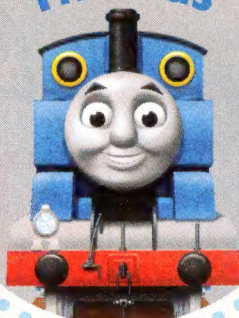
The engines
visit the Steamworks
when they need to
be **repaired**.

I'm the
Steamworks
manager.

Test Thomas' lamp
by coloring it
yellow.

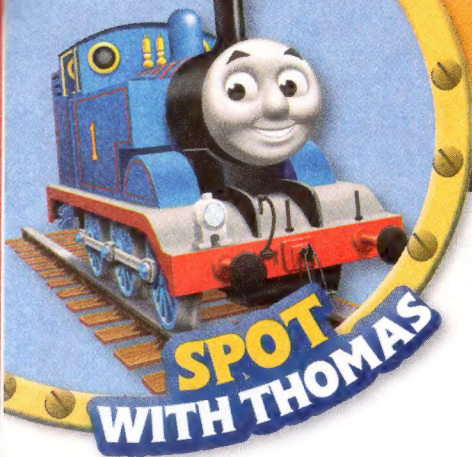
Circle the engine
you can see **inside**
the Steamworks.

Thomas



Victor





Spot the Differences

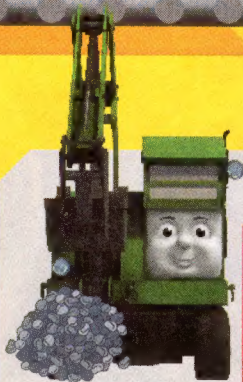
There's lots to do at the building site today! Find 7 differences in picture B.

A

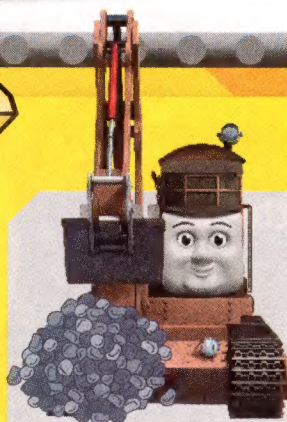


Which machine has the **biggest** pile of rocks?

 **Check** their picture.



Alfie



Oliver



SOMETHING TO SHARE

Can your little one pretend their arms are a scoop just like Jack's? Challenge them to scoop up a cushion! Or they could try pretending to have a grabber like Oliver's, how do they think it would move? Slowly or quickly?

B



Here are the answers! Don't peek!

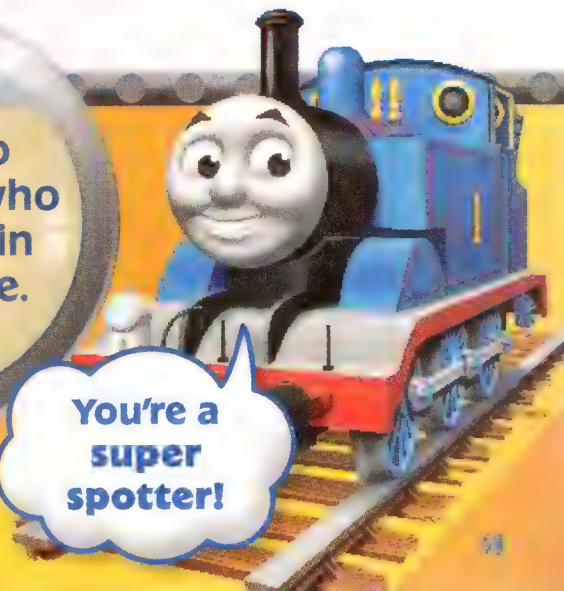
1. There are flowers in Rocky's forklift.
2. Alfie is now pink.
3. The barrels are missing.
4. There are two bricks, a stack of crates.
5. There's a cat on top of Rocky.
7. The kite is missing.



Jack

Point to everyone who is smiling in the picture.

You're a super spotter!



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Raul



FACT FILE

Name: Raul

Colors: Bright yellow, green, and blue with striped buffers

Fun Facts: Raul may look like a Diesel but he's a Steamie!

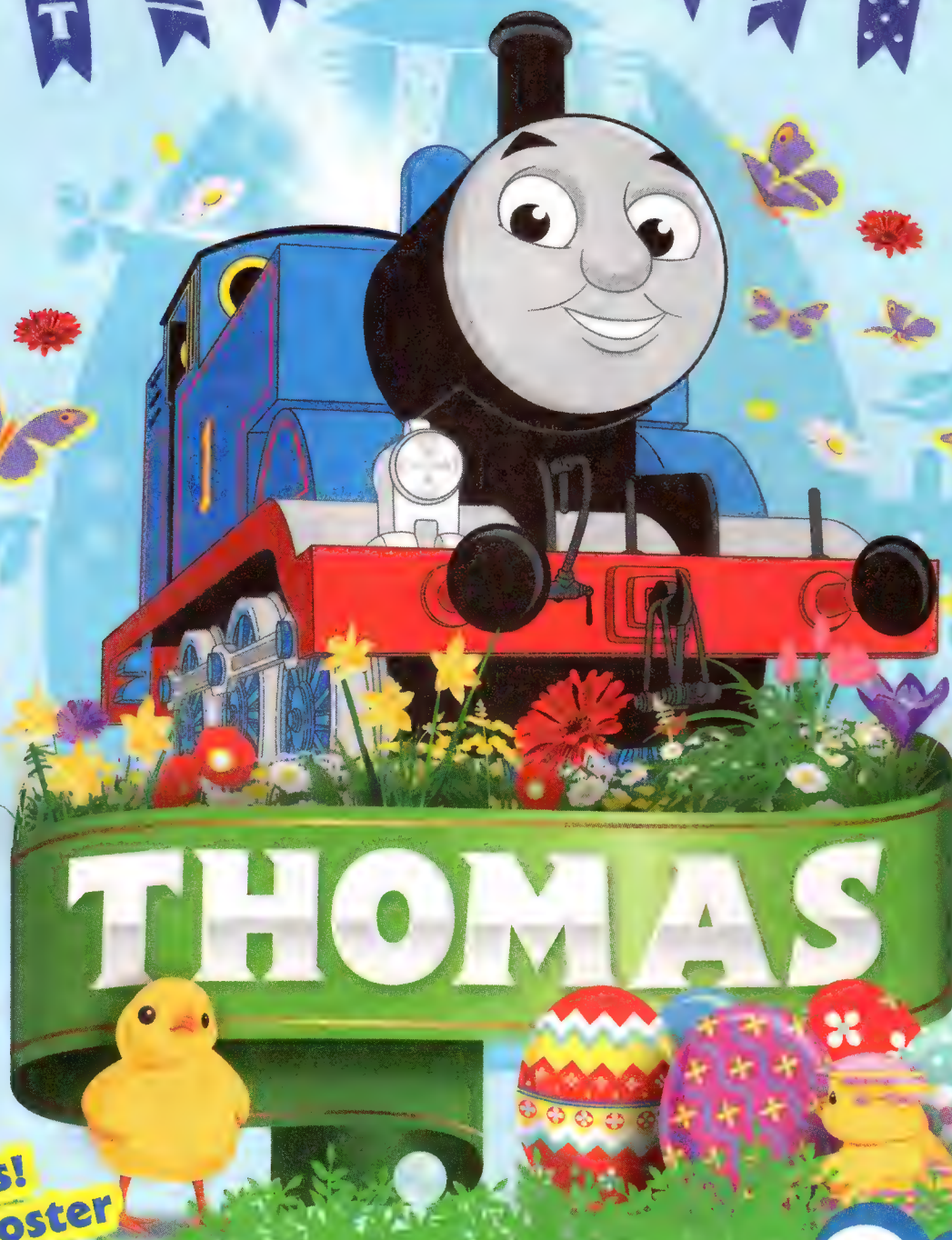
More about Raul...

Raul is a feisty little tank engine from the sunny heights of Brazil. He is strong and agile, and the perfect player for a Shunting race!

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Springtime Workbook

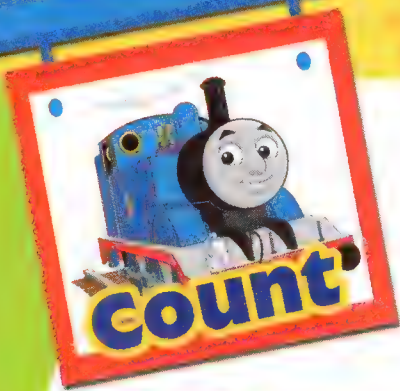


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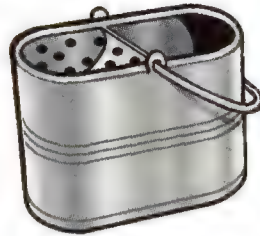
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Help Thomas
find the sun on
each activity
spread!

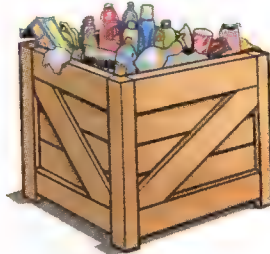




Help spring clean with Thomas!
Count the things below and write
the numbers in the boxes.



buckets



crates



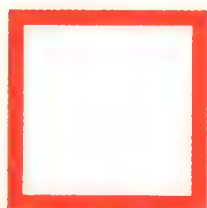
bubbles



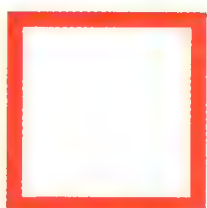
mops, brushes
and brooms

1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8

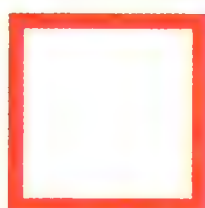
Look for and count the items in the picture below.



flowers



engines



butterflies

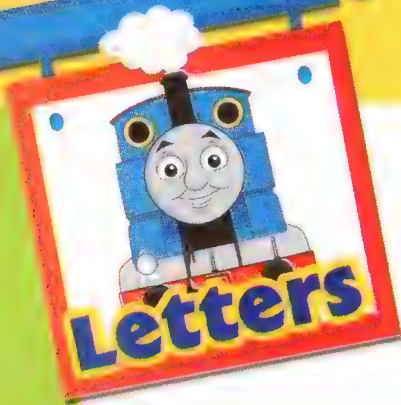


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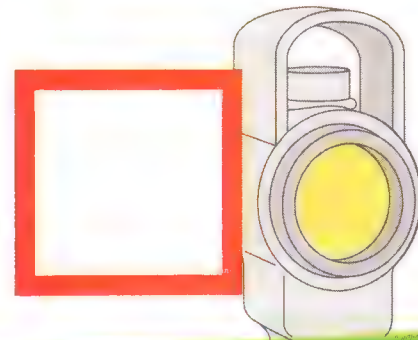
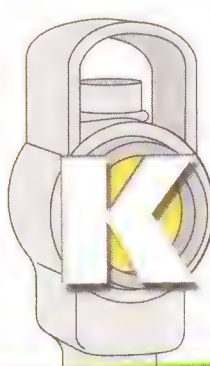
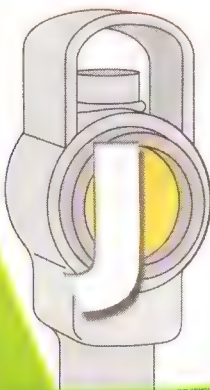
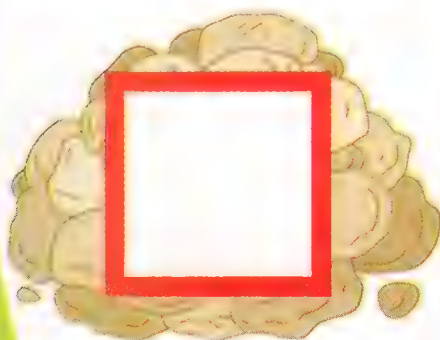
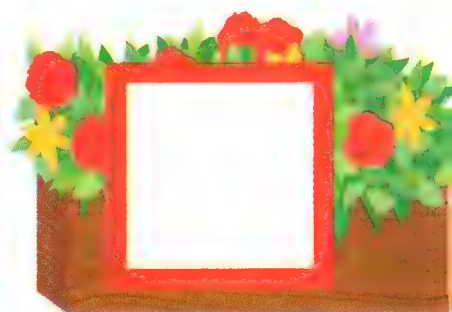
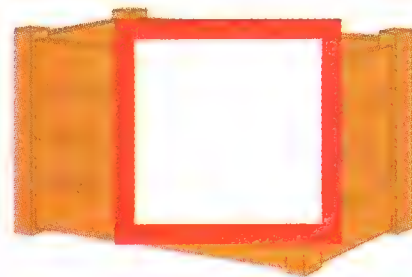
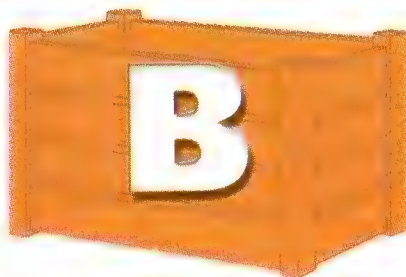
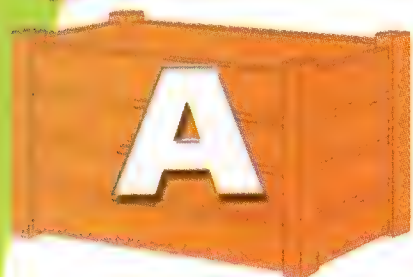
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PARENT NOTE: Counting helps develop math skills and number recognition.





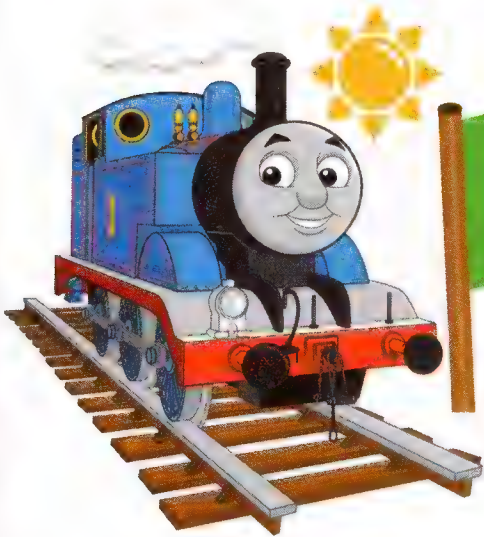
Fill in the missing letter in
each row of things:
Crates, Flowers, Gravel, and Lamps.



A B C D E F G H I J K L M N



Help Thomas meet James at the Washdown.
Trace over each letter in the path.



PARENT NOTE: These activities strengthen letter
recognition and fine motor skills.

O P Q R S T U V W X Y Z



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Spring Time





With a pencil, help Thomas find James.
Count the decorated eggs and
butterflies on the way.

Write the numbers
in the boxes.



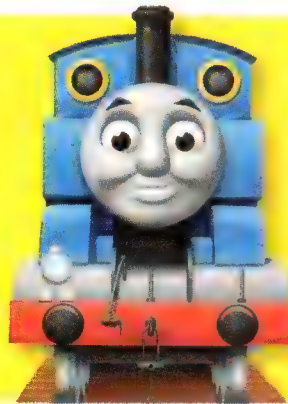
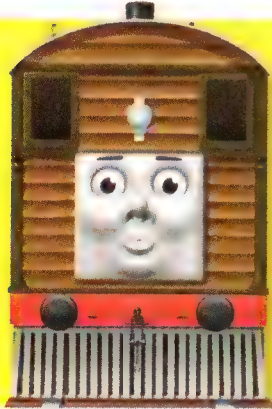
FINISH

Circle the little bee when you spot it!

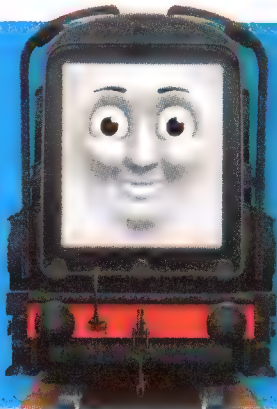
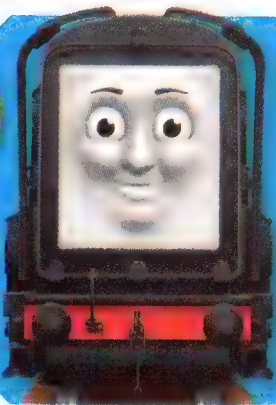


Trace around the faces on the right to see
who comes next in each row.

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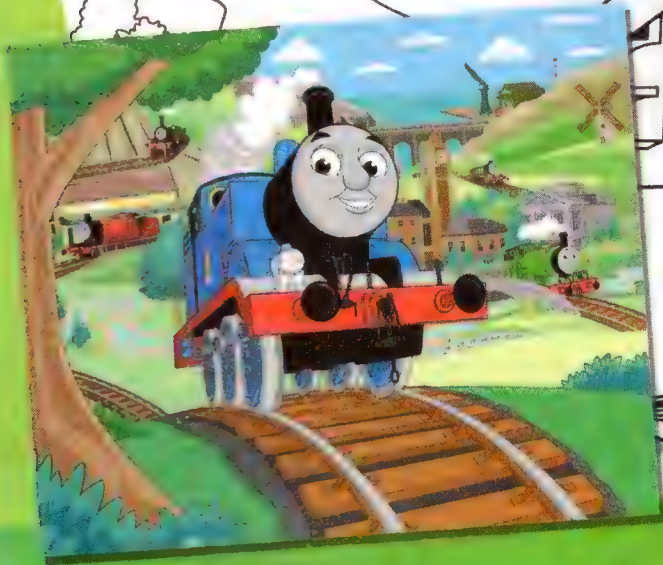
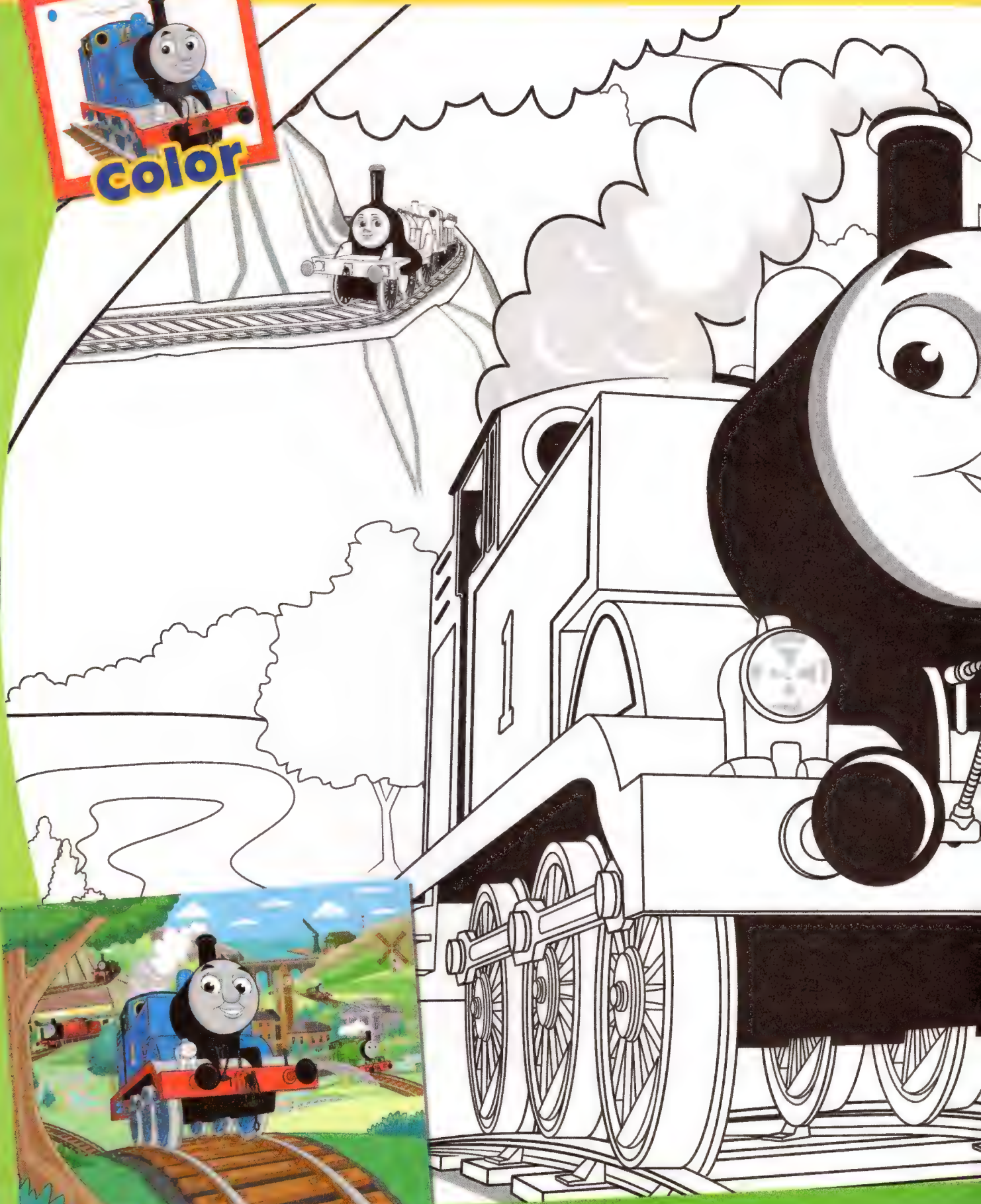


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PARENT NOTE: This activity helps to develop fine motor skills,
as well as recognizing visual awareness of shape and pattern.





Color in this springtime picture, using the small one to help you.

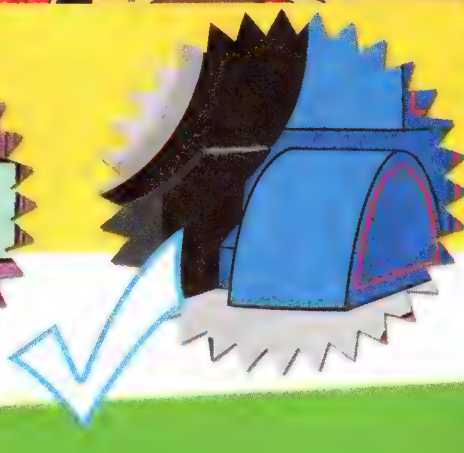
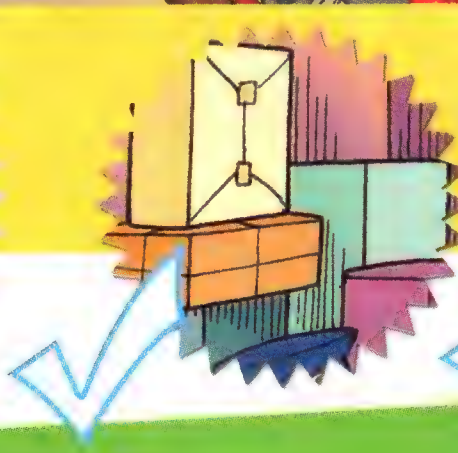
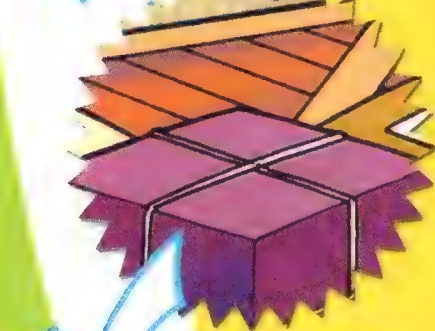
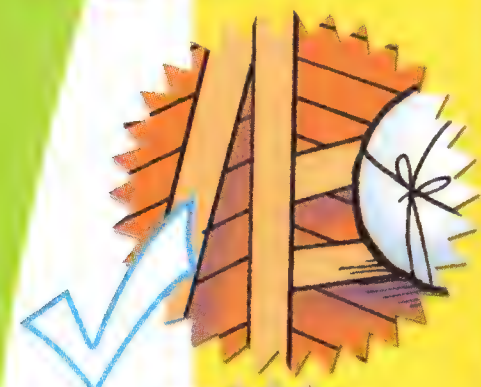
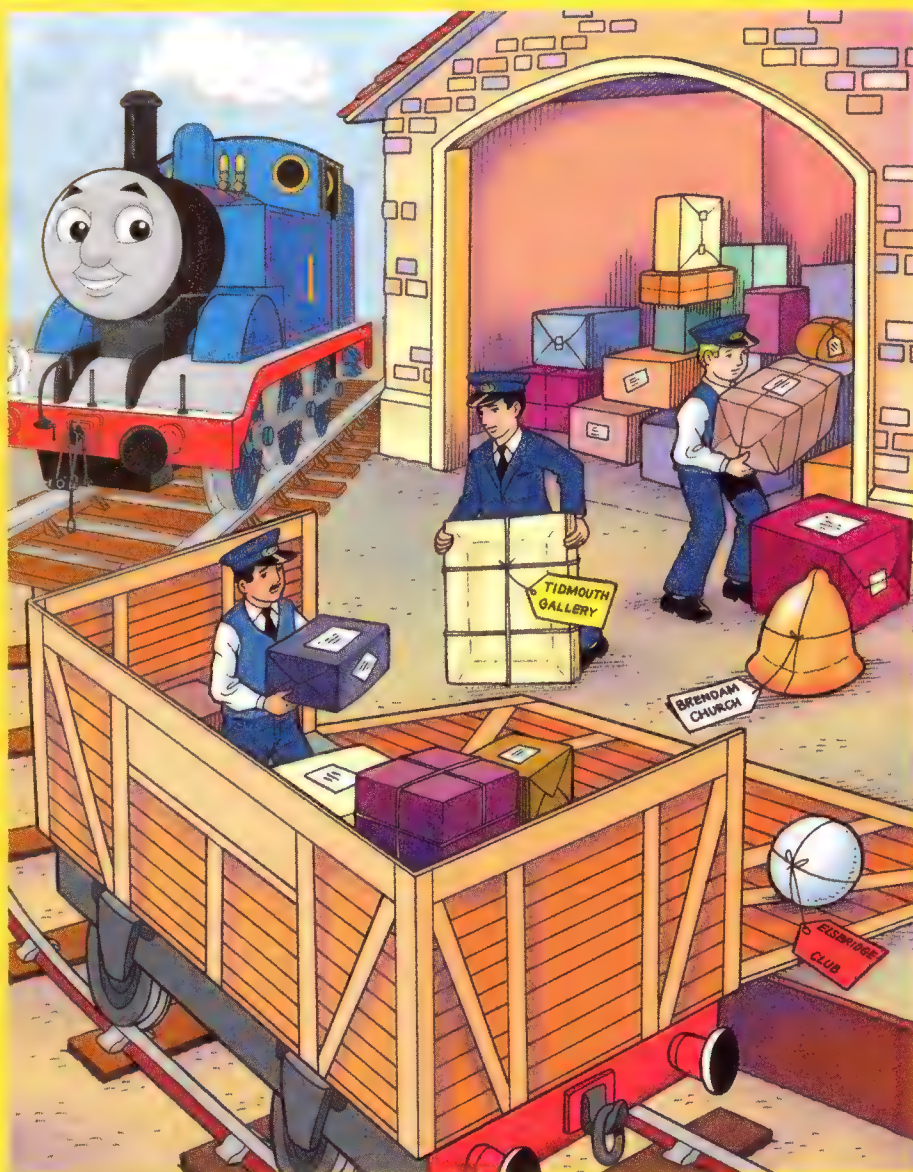


PARENT NOTE: Coloring helps to develop color awareness, creativity, and fine motor skills.





Match the close-ups below in the big picture.
Circle the one that is not in the picture.

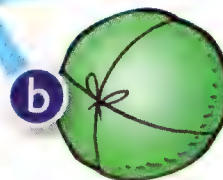
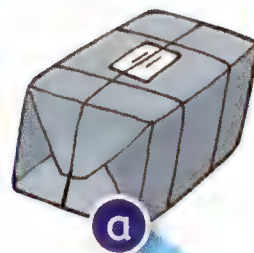
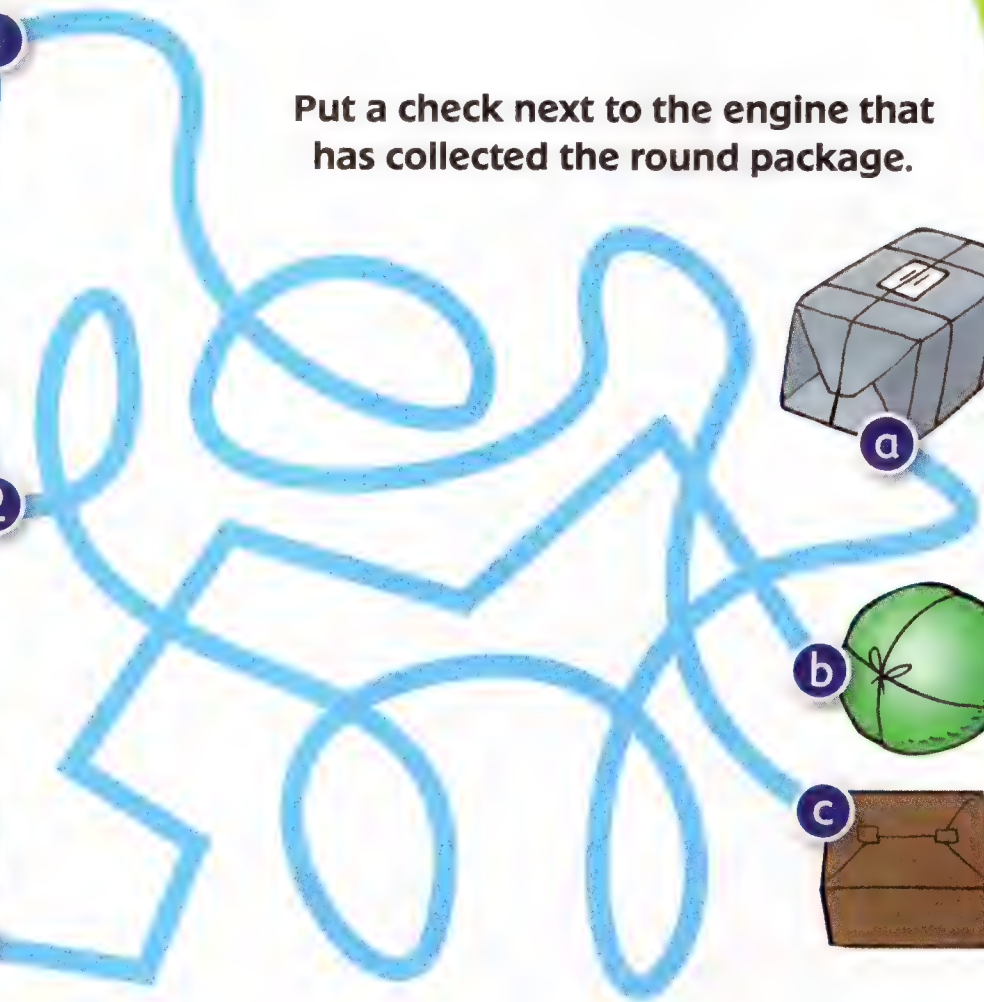




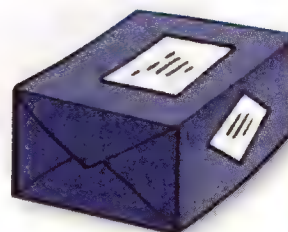
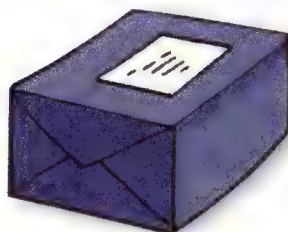
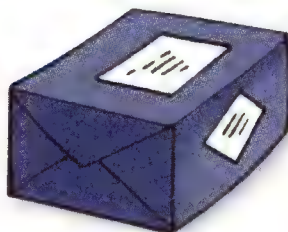
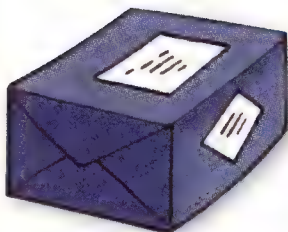
Help the engines clear out the mail shed.
Match the engines to the packages they need to
collect by tracing over the blue lines.



Put a check next to the engine that
has collected the round package.



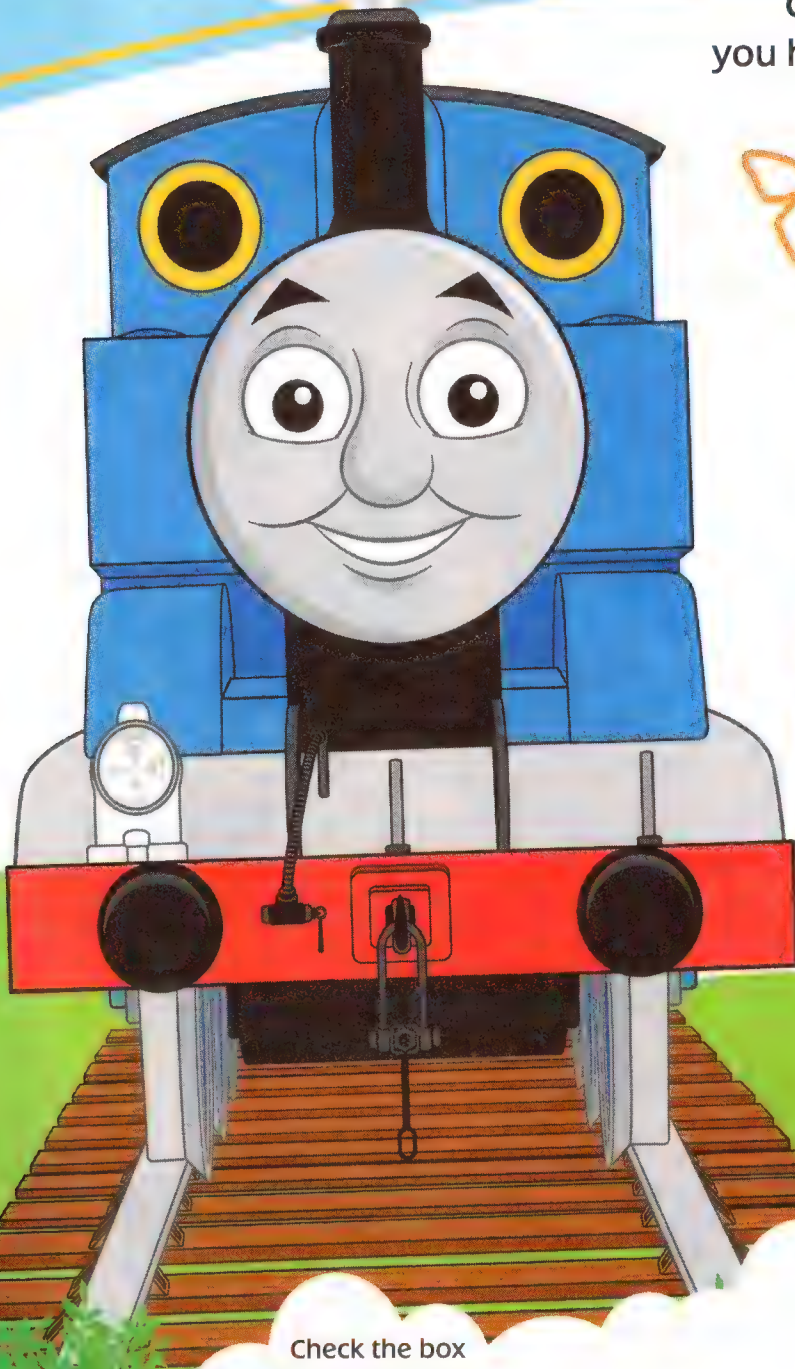
Circle the package that is different.



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Springtime Workbook

Color each butterfly when
you have finished all the activities.



 **count**

 **Letters**

 **Follow**

 **color**

 **Match**

Check the box
if you found the
sun shapes.



**I finished my
Springtime
Workbook!**

.....
Write your name on the dotted line.

Guess Who?

Guess the **friend** each engine is describing.

Look at the clues and circle the correct name.

1

My friend is **green** and pulls the **Mail Train**.

Thomas' friend is...

James
Percy
Edward



2

My engine pal is **big** and **blue**!

Henry's friend is...

Mavis
Diesel
Gordon



3

My friend can **fly**!

Belle's friend is...

Stafford
Emily
Harold

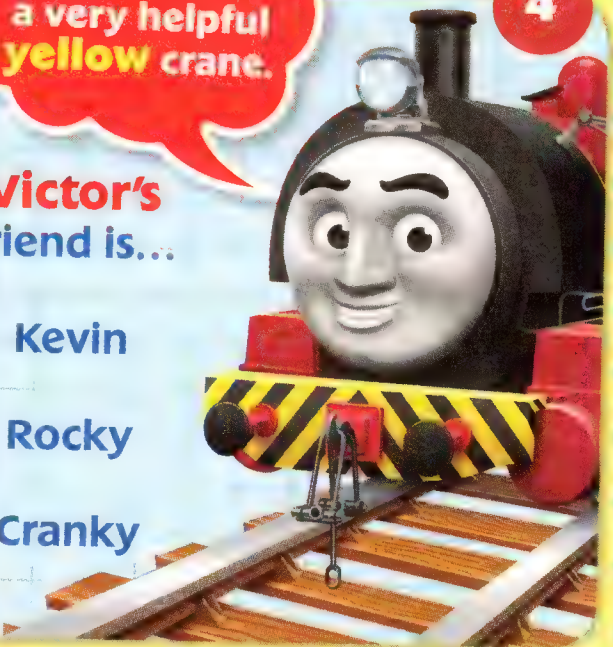


4

My friend is a very helpful **yellow** crane.

Victor's friend is...

Kevin
Rocky
Cranky



Answers: 1. Percy; 2. Gordon; 3. Harold; 4. Kevin

Object Hunt

Lay out some objects and let your child look at them and describe them. Then ask your child to find the object that matches the description. They can pick up the object and show you what they found. Can they guess what object it matches? Can they guess what object it matches?



Let's share
story time
together!

Victor

On the Island of Sodor, the engines like to puff and huff as hard as they can. Sometimes they huff too hard and they have to visit Victor at the Steamworks to be fixed.

It was a very busy day at the Steamworks. Percy was waiting to be painted and Edward was waiting to be fixed. Victor raced from one engine to another. "I know you all want to be fixed right away, but I only have one set of wheels!" he chuckled.

Sir Topham Hatt arrived with Gordon, who looked very unhappy as he spluttered along. "Gordon's valves are blocked. He needs to be fixed as soon as possible so he can take the children to the Docks for their boat trip," Sir Topham Hatt boomed. Victor was worried. There was no room for Gordon in the Steamworks and the workmen were all busy, but he didn't want to say no to Sir Topham Hatt!

"Of course, Sir," said Victor. "I will have Gordon puffing perfectly in no time." Sir Topham Hatt beamed. "You are a Really Useful Engine, Victor!"

Thomas chuffed cheerfully up to his friend, "Sir Topham Hatt is very pleased with you!" he peeped. Victor puffed with pride. "Thank you," Victor smiled, "what can I do for you?" Thomas told him he had a loose footplate. Victor knew he had a lot to do, but he wanted to be Really Useful, so he said he'd help.

Then Emily steamed in. "My buffers need a polish!" she said. Victor knew he had too much to do, but he wanted to be Really Useful, so he told her to come in. Emily squeezed in front of Gordon. "What about my blocked valves?" Gordon complained.



Can Do It!

TRACKSIDE TALE
TO SHARE



Then there was trouble! Just as Sir Topham Hatt arrived to collect Gordon, black smoke and soot shot from Gordon's valves all over Sir Topham Hatt's car! "My car is ruined and Gordon isn't ready to collect the children!" he fumed. Victor felt terrible. "I'm sorry, Sir," he said. "I tried to do everything and I ended up doing nothing." Victor asked for another chance to fix Gordon's valves and clean Sir Topham Hatt's car.

Sir Topham Hatt could see Victor was sorry. "Very well," he said, "but you must hurry!" Victor sprang into action, and all the engines wanted to help. "Thank you," said Victor. "I can fix all of you, but some of you will

have to wait." The engines didn't mind waiting and some agreed to come back the next day. Victor smiled at the kindness of his friends.

When Sir Topham Hatt returned, Victor told him that Gordon's valves were fixed and his funnel was steaming. "I see you truly are a Really Useful Engine after all!" said Sir Topham Hatt, and that made Victor very happy!

Thank you,
my friends!



until next time!

slow down! Stop! Go!

Make these delicious
engine signal cookies
with Thomas.

First, wash your hands and ask
an adult to preheat the oven to
400°F (180°C) and line two cookie
sheets with baking parchment.

You will need:

- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 2 ³/₄ cup flour
- 1 cup butter or margarine
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 large egg
- 1 teaspoon vanilla extract
- Food coloring in red, orange/
yellow, and green. (Or you
can use colored gum drops or
chocolate candies instead!)
- an adult to help you

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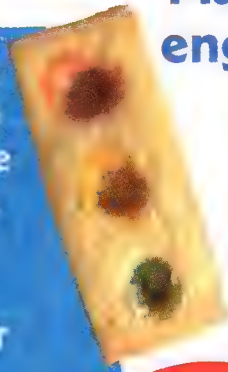
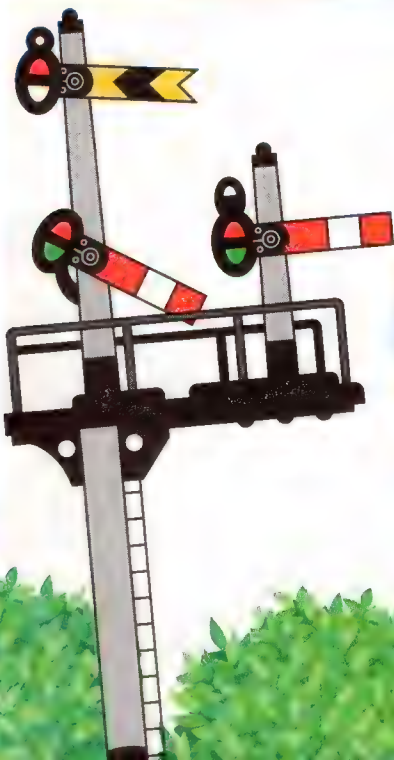
Sift flour and baking
powder together.
Then cream butter
and sugar, adding
the egg and vanilla.

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Mix the flour and
the butter mixture
to form a soft
dough.

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Roll the dough onto
a floured surface and
cut out rectangles
with a plastic knife.
Put them on the
baking trays.



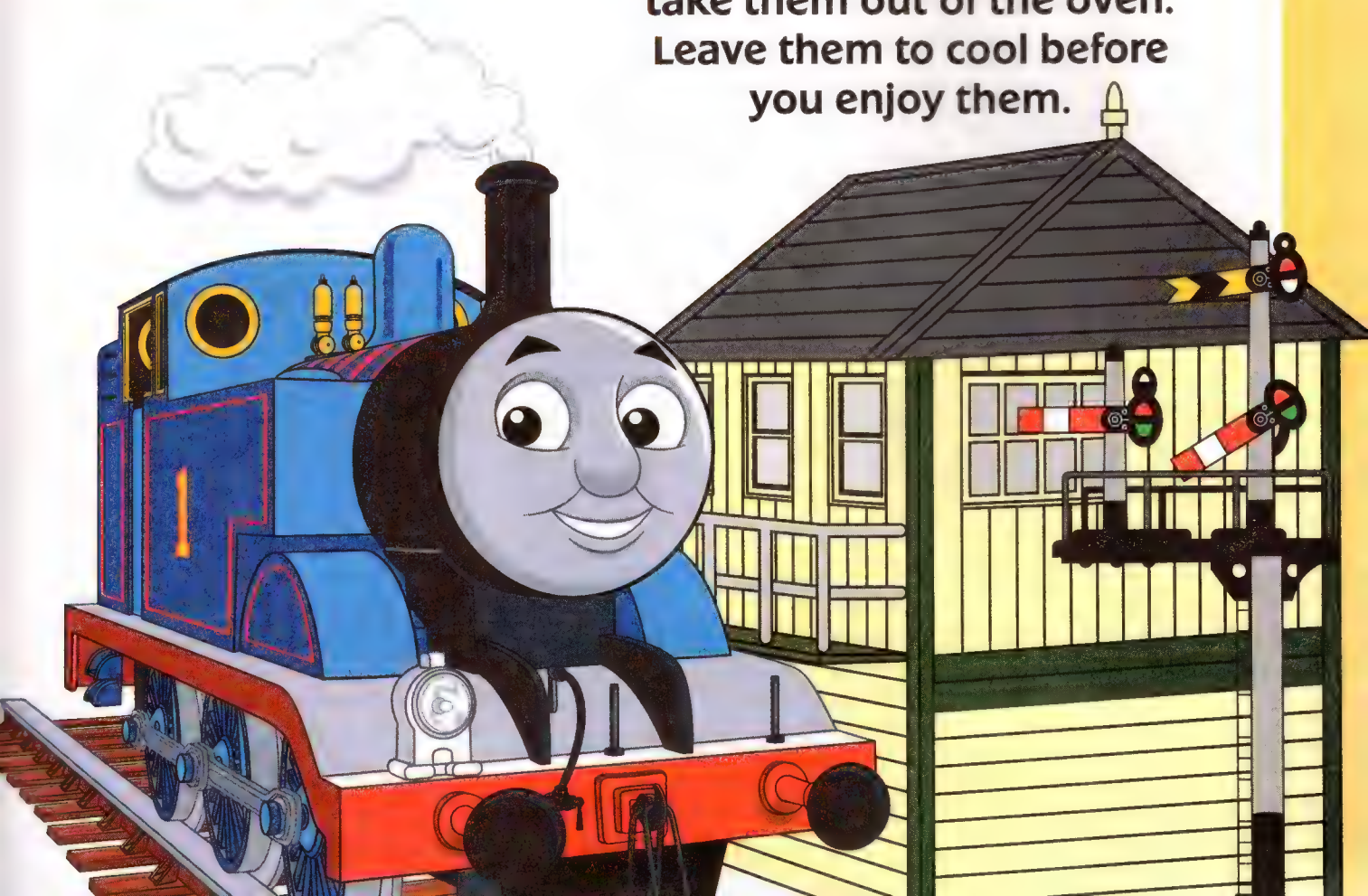
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Press three round indentations into each cookie, each about $\frac{1}{2}$ " diameter. Squeeze a red, orange, and green drop of food coloring into the holes as shown, or place the candies into them.



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Bake for 7-10 minutes or until golden. Ask an adult to take them out of the oven. Leave them to cool before you enjoy them.



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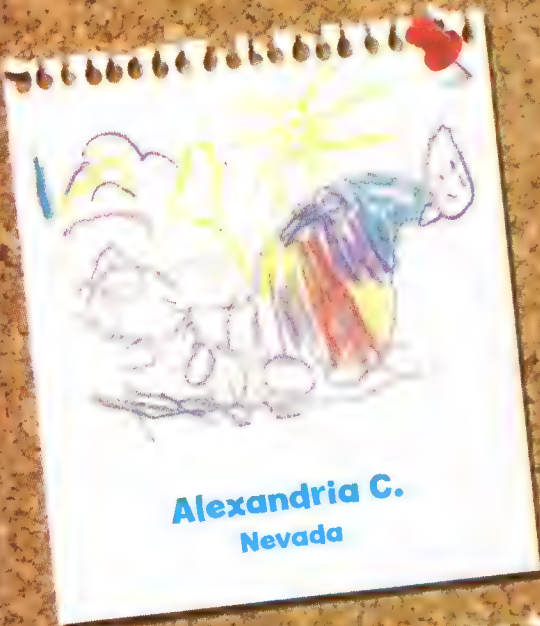
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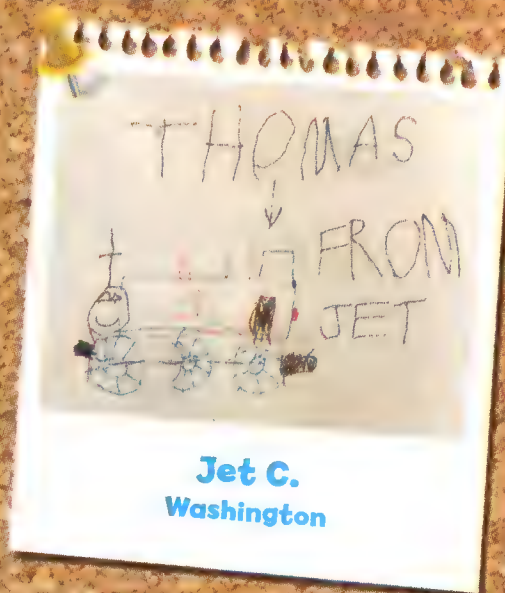
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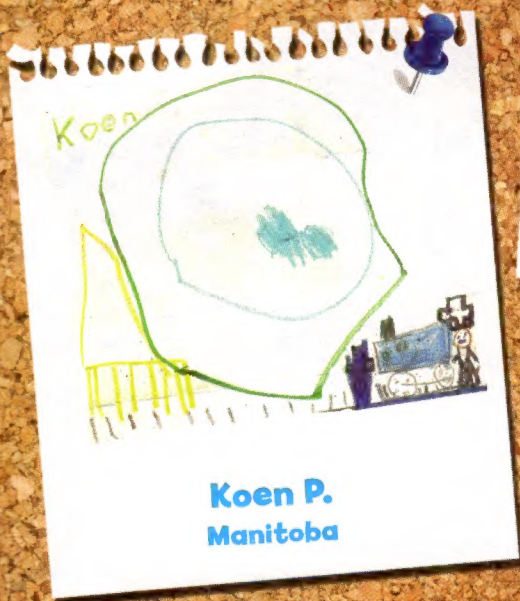
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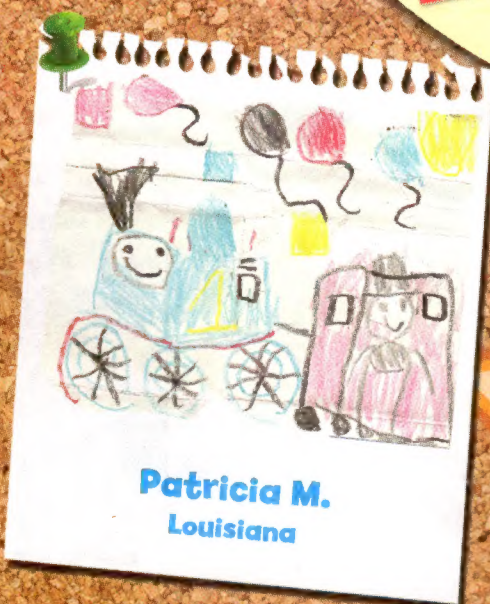


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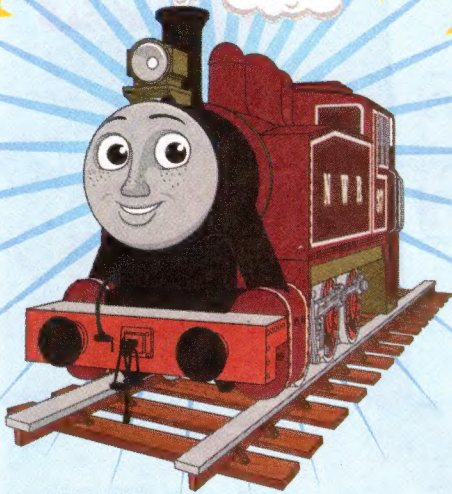


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Rosie



Rosie is a fun, energetic engine who loves to race and shunt! She's earned her Really Useful status by helping out all over the Island of Sodor. Rosie is based on an SR USA Class 0-6-OT.

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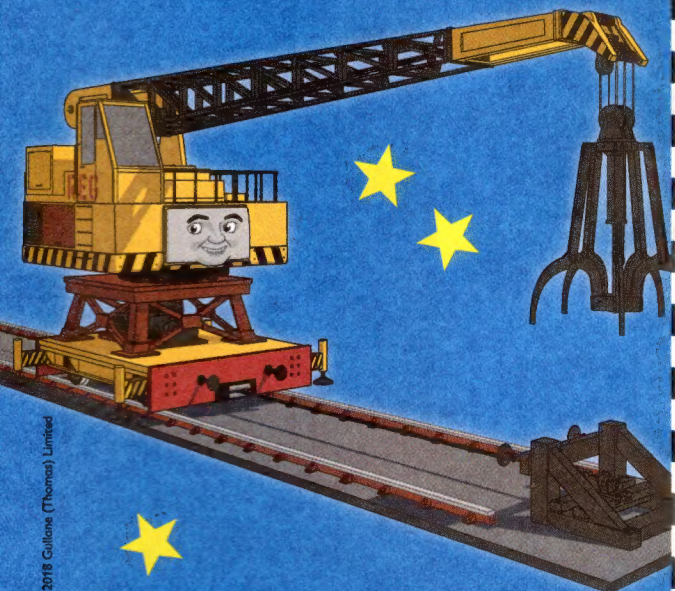
Salty



Salty, the Dockside Diesel, is a hard working engine who loves to tell tales and sing songs about the sea. He's very happy down by the Docks, and likes helping other engines, whether Steamie or Diesel. Salty is based on a BR Class 07 0-6-0 Dock Shunter.

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Reg



Reg is a cheeky and cheerful crane who works in the Scrap Yard on Edward's Branch Line. He loves to crack a joke and enjoys re-using what others have thrown away. Reg is a diamond in the rough!

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Scruff



Scruff the Scruncher is a boxy steam engine who helps Whiff at the Waste Dump. He would rather get dirty than be clean, and he can be found hiding in the sidings when it's time to go to the Washdown! Scruff is based on a Sentinel 9369-0-4-0 Industrial Locomotive.

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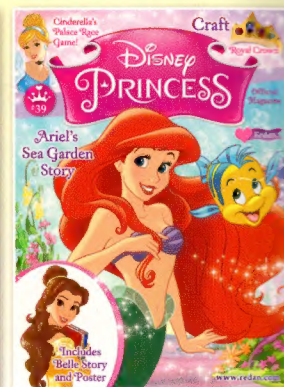
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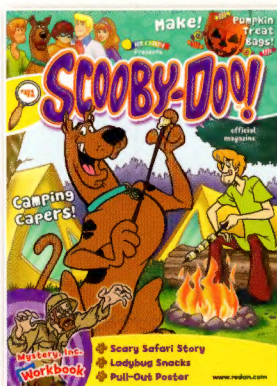
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